Animal Advisory Board Working Group *Meeting Minutes*

Date of Meeting: 9/9/2013

Minutes Prepared By: Rose Armour

1. Purpose of Meeting

Review Chapter 6.1 – Animal Control and Welfare City Code

2. Attendance at Meeting			
Debbie Donour	Marie Jensen	David Freeman	Doug Beckmann
Kathy Galvin	Jean Linman	Rachel Bellis	Rose Armour
Debra Griggs	Daphna Nachminovitch	Jamie O'Grady	
Barbara Hays	Dorothy Winn	Jake Roos	

3. Agenda

Norfolk's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6.1 – Animal Control and Welfare

4. Meeting Notes, Decisions, Issues

5. Recommendations			
Recommendation		Assigned To	Notes
1.	City Attorney reviews State code updates which effect 6.1 – Animal Control and Welfare, when it is released after the General Assembly and incorporate relevant changes into Norfolk's municipal code.	Approval by City Council review by City Attorney	
2.	ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS Sec. 6.1-2. Definitions - Add <i>Home-Based Rescue</i> definition	Approval by City Council review by City Attorney	
3.	ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS Sec. 6.1-2. Definitions - Amend <i>Releasing Agency</i> definition as reflected in State code.	Approval by City Council review by City Attorney	
4.	Amend Chapter 6.1 – Animal Control and Welfare to contain the following verbiage from Code of Virginia 3.2-6524 Unlicensed dogs prohibited; ordinances for licensing cats: A: It shall be unlawful for any person other than a releasing agency that has registered as such annually with local animal control to own a dog four months old or older in the Commonwealth unless such dog is licensed, as required by the provisions of this article.	Approval by City Council review by City Attorney	
5.	Amend Chapter 6.1 – Animal Control and Welfare to reflect State code fees structure for dangerous dogs.	Approval by City Council review by City Attorney	
6.	Amend Chapter 6.1 – Animal Control and Welfare that dangerous dogs can be confined at owner's house prior to trial, so as not to incur room and boarding costs.	Approval by City Council review by City Attorney	This recommendation was not voted on.

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7.	ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS Sec. 6.1-2. Definitions - Adequate Space definition: RemoveProvided, however, that no animal shall be tethered for more than three (3) consecutive hours in twenty-four-hour period	Approval by City Council review by City Attorney	
8.	Definitions - Adequate Space definition: Remove When an animal is tethered, "adequate space" means a tether that permits the above actions and is appropriate to the age, size, and health of the animal Replace When a dog six (6) months of age or older is confined in an outdoor primary enclosure, "adequate space" means that the dog is allowed the above actions and that the outdoor primary enclosure is at least 10' x 15' in size. This outdoor primary enclosure requirement for adult dogs shall not apply to animal shelters, city animal management centers, and veterinary facilities.	Approval by City Council review by City Attorney	
9.	Amend Chapter 6.1 – Animal Control and Welfare to include the City of Richmond's <i>Breeding Permit</i> .	Approval by City Council review by City Attorney	Barbara Hays voted against this recommendation
10.	Amend Chapter 6.1 – Animal Control and Welfare to include Spay and Pay policy	Approval by City Council review by City Attorney	

6. Acti	6. Action items			
Action		Assigned To	Notes	
1.	Get clarification on what the agenda for the working group meeting on 9/23 and the board meeting on 10/2	Rose Armour	Will off leash permits be on the full Board meeting or a working group meeting?	
2.	Dangerous dog registration	Barbara Hays	What is the process to register dangerous dogs?	
3.	Research the number of dangerous dogs that have been housed at NACC.	Barbara Hays		
4.	Share the specific changes that Barbara made in the Code to update the organizational structure	Rose Armour		

7. Next Meeting			
DATE	TIME	LOCATION	RECORDER
9/23	5:30	City Hall, 10 th Fl	Rose Armour

Agenda:

Chapter 6.1 – Animal Control and Welfare

- Ear tipping
- Article V 6.1-85
- Microchipping
- Chapter 6.1 Animal Control and Welfare revisions regarding organizational structure